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Long Noncoding RNAs in Drug Metabolism and Human Diseases

Message from the Guest Editor

Drug metabolism is a critical step in pharmacokinetics, and ultimately affects the bioavailability, efficacy, and toxicity of administrated drugs. LncRNAs have exhibited the ability to interact with transcription factors and epigenetic modifiers, exerting regulatory control over genes involved in drug metabolism, including enzymes and transporters. Understanding how IncRNAs affect drug metabolism could be beneficial in predicting drug responses, optimizing drug dosing, and developing personalized therapeutic approaches. LncRNAs have emerged as regulatory factors in the understanding of disease mechanisms, diagnosis, prognosis, and potential therapeutic interventions. LncRNAs also represent a novel therapeutic target for drug discovery, and could be targeted by small molecules or nucleic acid-based therapeutics and thus regulated. Studying IncRNAs in drug metabolism and human disease has provided valuable insights into pharmacokinetics, personalized medication, disease diagnosis, and the mechanisms of diseases. The field holds great promise regarding its ability to enhance drug development and disease control in the future.

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